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2. General remarks.

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1. Documents

- a. U.S. Patent Publication US2004/0223086 A1, published November 11, 2004 to Jaffe;
- b. European Patent Application Publication No. EP1395048A1; published March 3, 2004 to Sony Corporation; and
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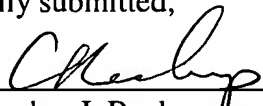
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